

JAPAN OFFERS HAND TO U. S.

Era of Friendship Predicted
by Viscount Motono
in Tokyo.

(By the International News Service.)
Tokyo, May 12.—Japan and America
side by side, in a new era, just dawned,
have joined hands.

Together these two nations will work
in which the Pacific ocean will be the
meeting place for all nations.

These statements, made by Viscount
Motono, are the first official indications
of Japan's attitude toward the United
States in the world war.

The occasion for the viscount's state-
ments was the inauguration banquet at
the new American-Japan Society last
night, which turned into the first
demonstration that Japan has ever seen
of the friendship which exists between
the great nations which lie opposite
across the Pacific.

"Japan has united her resources with
the United States to chastise a common
foe," said Premier Terauchi, one of the
prominent speakers, who gave the official
attitude of Japan toward America.

Out of the meeting there came an en-
thusiasm and a spirit which is believed
in Japan to indicate a lasting union be-
tween Japan and the United States that
will dominate a new world situation and
work toward peace for all times.

The era of the Pacific ocean is already
dawning," said Viscount Motono, "and
it is promising to surpass in vastness the
influence of either the Atlantic or the
Mediterranean, those two great bodies
which have heretofore dominated the
commerce and trade of the world.

"The Pacific ocean must be the meet-
ing place of all of the forces of the East
and the West."

'FORWARD WASHINGTON' MOVEMENT EXPLAINED

Chamber of Commerce Mails Porten-
tous Document of Proposed Plans.

What a departmentized Chamber of
Commerce really is and what its
possibilities for effective community
work, are set forth at length in a poten-
tious document placed in the mails last
night by the Chamber of Commerce. This
document goes out under the title, "Plat-
form and General Purposes of the
Greater Chamber of Commerce of
Washington," and covers every phase of
the present "Forward Washington"
movement of the chamber for the build-
ing of a bigger and more useful organiza-
tion.

In explanation of the present under-
taking it is stated that "Recognizing the
local and national need of this most im-
portant hour in American history and be-
lieving that every individual not only
called upon but is anxious to do his duty
by his city and his nation, the directors
of the Washington Chamber of Com-
merce have undertaken a movement for
the creation of a more effective and thor-
oughly organized community force in
Washington. Immediate and continued
results for Washington and for America
are the objects sought."

The pamphlet then goes on to explain
the practical steps by which it is ex-
pected to build the type of chamber de-
sired. The departments or bureaus plan-
ned include convention, publicity and
tourist, civic, industrial, educational,
agricultural and rural, mercantile and
traffic and transportation, each organ-
ized and manned for a definite program
of work. Wider and more effective
representation is to be aided through the
members' council and through the plural
membership plan by which a firm or cor-
poration may carry several memberships.

G. W. U. FINAL TESTS SET FORWARD BY WAR

Arts Examinations Begin May 23.
Others Now On.

Final examinations in the department
of arts and sciences at George Washing-
ton University will begin Wednesday,
May 23, and continue through Tuesday,
May 29, according to announcement by
the faculty. The last classes will meet
Tuesday, May 22.

Examinations in the Medical School,
the College of Pharmacy, the Dental Col-
lege, and the Veterinary College already
have started to enable members of the
senior class to complete their work in
advance of schedule and render them-
selves eligible for commissions in the
army and navy.

May 30, Memorial Day, will be a hol-
iday in the university. The baccalaure-
ate sermon will be preached on the af-
ternoon of Sunday, June 3, in Temple
Baptist Church, Tenth and D streets
northwest, by the pastor, Rev. John Muir.
Commencement exercises will be held on
the evening of Wednesday, June 6, in
the auditorium at the new Central High
School.

A list of student and university events
for commencement week will be issued
in pamphlet form probably this week.
Scores of students have left the uni-
versity to enlist in various branches of
the military service and to aid the gov-
ernment in clerical capacities.

Riderless Cavalry Horses Used to Boom Recruiting

"I wear Uncle Sam's clothes; why
don't you?"

"Ride me; to Berlin we will go."
These were a few of the witty argu-
ments set forth by thirty fully equipped
but riderless cavalry horses who, bear-
ing placards with such expressions
painted on them, were led through the
business section of the city yesterday
afternoon in an effort to boost the mem-
bership of Troop A, N. G. D. C., who
need only forty men to bring them up to
full war strength.

This demonstration marked the begin-
ning of a big "drive" for recruits. The
organization has opened a recruiting sta-
tion at 1227 F street northwest, where
officers are on duty at all hours.

GIHON PICTURES EXHIBITED.

A special exhibition of paintings by
Albert D. Gihon was placed on public
view yesterday in the exhibition room of
the Corcoran Art Gallery, and the public
will have the opportunity of examining
these pictures until May 26.

Eyes
Carefully
Examined

It takes patience, skill, and time to deter-
mine the prescription according to which
proper lenses for your eyes should be
made. Do not make the mistake of getting
glasses without having your eyes carefully
examined.

\$1.00 GLASSES—\$1.00
We do not use drops.
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EYES EXAMINED FREE
Quality Optical Co.
438 Ninth Street N. W.

Taft Riddles Isolation of U. S.

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with free-hand oratory a revolting,
shocking picture of America's great
war-sacrifice that is to come.

America World's Creditor.

America, today, he said, stood creditor
to half the world and when the time
comes to thrash out the peace terms
over the council table, America's bil-
lions loaned to the allies will give the
republic of the west a mighty voice in
enforcing a just peace, "for," he con-
tinued, "a peace that is not just will not
last."

Mr. Taft came to Washington to pre-
side at the dedication of the American
Red Cross Building, yesterday afternoon.
By evening, Yale alumni in Washington
had found him and carried him off to the
University Club, where there was a small
dinner and the festivities opened in the
lecture room of the club around 9 o'clock.

Claude M. Bennett, chairman of the en-
tertainment committee of the club, stood
at the entrance of the lecture room and
as Taft stepped from the elevator, Ben-
nett raised his hand and the assemblage
hit up the strains of "He's a Jolly Good
Fellow." The Yale cheers that followed
were deafening.

Not Fifty-seventh President.

Myron M. Parker, who presided, read a
list of the officers Taft has held in his
lifetime, but he got things mixed and
called him the "fifty-seventh President
of the United States"—an office, Taft
later declared, "that we are handling
around very scantily as yet."

Scattered about the room were Chief
Justice White, of the United States Su-
preme Court; Ambassador Naon, of Ar-
gentina; John W. Davis, Solicitor Gen-
eral of the United States; Associate Jus-
tice Holmes of the Supreme Court; Henry
S. Graves, United States Forester; Sec-
retary of Agriculture, Houston, Senator
Brandegee and others.

Taft started his speech in a mood that
gained him cheer after cheer. He was
particularly happy, but he soon turned
serious.

College Men Inspiring.

"The movement of college men in this
is inspiring," he said. "They are going
into this war in a spirit of adven-
ture, but because they believe they
have had advantages which makes it
necessary for them to set an example.
In the civil war, the American people
showed the world that they possessed
that moral fiber which entitled them to
be called a world power, but of late
years, a doubt as to whether that
moral fiber is intact. There is no
reason, however, to doubt this, for out-
ward appearances are deceptive. France
is the most notable example of falsity
of this outward seeming."

"America faces a great test. We may
have to make sacrifices that will equal
the sacrifices that France and England
have had to make. Our enemy, it seems,
has not lost his power, and being in this
war, we have got to win. It means not
only food and treasure, but men and the
lives of men. We might as well get that
under our skin."

Dark Prospect in Russia.

"The trouble with we Americans is our
inherent optimism. We believe too much
in the theory that God looks after chil-
dren, drunks and the United States.
Russia is in sore straits, the submarine
menace has not been met and the crush-
ing drives of the allies on the west front
move the German lines but very slowly.
"Russia," here Taft paused a moment
and shook his head deprecatingly—"they're
setting up little republics all over the
country. Every little municipality wants
to be a government. The prospect of
anarchy are not too remote to be a pos-
sibility. And if Germany breaks through
into Russia, the Germans can rehabilitate
themselves in the matter of food and
swing thousands of men to the west
front line."

Germany Peace Menace.

Mr. Taft then pointed out that America
had no cause to be running up and down
the earth straightening out governments,
but he said in the case of Germany, a
great menace to the peace of the world
must be removed.

"In other words," he said, "we're now
engaged in a league to enforce the peace
of the world. It hasn't been primarily
formed with that purpose in view, but
that is what it has come to. I have been
more or less identified with that move-
ment myself, though Congress has
been afraid of entangling alliances."

"Washington's advice about entangling
alliances is about as applicable to the
situation as last year's bird nest. At
the time it was given, it was sound ad-
vice for he wanted America to go along
and work out its destiny without inter-
ference from abroad. But now we've
reached our growth. We're closer to
Europe—five times closer—and our coast
States and our island possessions make
us an Asiatic power. The canal makes
us a force in South America and when
one looks about the world, we find that
like the Connecticut farmer, "we've got
out a lot of hay" in the face of an inter-
national storm.

In an Alliance Now.

"So whether Congress fears an en-
tangling alliance or not, we're in one
and we ought to be, because we ought to
share with the rest of the world the
responsibility for the peace of the world.
The discussion of entangling alliances
is old-fashioned. The very stars in their
courses are fighting for a league to en-
force peace. Everything is heading us
in on this course."

Mr. Taft conjured up another touch
of humor when he began to talk about
America's foreign connections.

"There's Alaska," he said, "that they
called Seward's Folly. Seward's act in
purchasing it has been vindicated over
and over again. I'm particularly in-
terested," he said, slyly, "in the vindica-
tion of dead statesmen."

"We don't own Cuba," he continued,
"but she's a lot of trouble. When I was
in Cuba, I found evidence of national
instability that I hope have disappeared.
I'm not sure though. Every time there's
an election in Cuba, I get goose-flesh."

Mexico a World Nuisance.

"Mexico-Mexico is an international
nuisance. She's our Southern menace, even
though Zimmermann (the German foreign
minister who plotted the Mexico-Ger-
many-Jap combine against the United
States) thought he could move the fence
a little farther north. There is one
element lacking about the Germans—a
sense of humor. Imagine putting Texas
into Mexico. Imagine making Mexicans
out of Joe Bailey and Culberson."

There was a roar at this.

"We have turned over to our allies
billions of dollars for war, without any
real hope of an early collection. When
we come to the council table, America
will make her weight felt and then we
can insist on a just peace. It is evident,
to my mind, that the end in view in
this war justified any expenditure that
we may make."

DETECTIVES TRAILED COMMISSIONER NEWMAN

Find Him in District Automobile Which
They Believed Stolen.

Commissioner Newman is a busy man.
When he comes out of the District
Building at noontide he wastes little of
his precious time in needless observa-
tions, and when he sees the big motor car
of the District Building standing near he
by all means "jumps in."

Now this is exactly what he did on Fri-
day noon. He leisurely seated himself in
the automobile and restively purred
his way up Fourteenth street to his
apartments in Fairmont street.

Several times a week the water de-
partment is tendered the privilege of
using the municipal motor car. Some-
times it falls on Monday or Tuesday but,
occasionally it falls on Friday, as it did
last week.

The water officials appeared. "The car
is gone," quoth one. Three faces were
wrinkled in amazement. The District
chauffeur was called. Detective Sweeney
was called. All to no avail.

Within the hour, however, a messenger
or a policeman or somebody rushed up
to the searchers and imparted this bit
of information: "The car was seen on
Fourteenth street shortly after noon."

Ascending Fourteenth street, with
leisurely mein, the party followed. Ar-
riving at Fairmont they discovered the
car, just beginning to chug with new
life, the "offender" boldly plotting it
from the curb.

Imbued with his never-failing sense of
duty, Detective Sweeney ran over, touch-
ing the intruder on his arm. "You are
under arrest," the detective shouted.

"But I am Commissioner Newman,"
came back the prompt reply.

In a few moments the District chauff-
eur, recognizing the Commissioner, reas-
sured Detective Sweeney and the water
officials that it really was Oliver P. Newman, wearing his "natty
new" cap.

WILL STUMP COUNTRY TO BOOM LIBERTY LOAN

Politicians Will Tour and Address
Bankers and Business Men.

All the resourcefulness at the com-
mand of the managers of the two leading
political parties of the United States is
to be pressed into service to help the
cause of the Liberty Loan.

It was learned at the Treasury last
night that Frank A. Vanderlip, president
of the National City Bank, and chairman
of the publicity committee at New York
City for the war loan, is arranging with
Chairman McCormick, of the Democratic
National Committee, and Chairman Wil-
cox, of the Republican National Com-
mittee, for a country-wide stump-speak-
ing campaign to boost the loan. The
best orators which these two committees
can muster will be drafted into service
to speak in the interests of the bond
issue.

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